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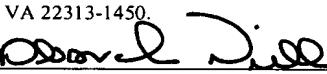
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**Title: METHOD OF PRODUCING MAGNETIC  
HARD DISK SUBSTRATE**

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Dear Sir:

In response to the objections made due to informalities in the original drawings (or to corrections approved by the Examiner), enclosed are substitute (formal) drawings for the above-identified patent application. If the Draftsman has any question concerning these drawings, he or she is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned.

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